



June 25, 2012

Mr. David Touchton
Interim Campus Executive Officer
USF in Lakeland
ADM 226

Dear David:

Thank you for spending some quality time with me this week to discuss next steps for leadership at USF in Lakeland and our focus on teaching out its programs. As we mutually agreed, the teach-out needs a different level of leadership to fulfill our academic commitment to graduating the students in a timely manner. Therefore, your last day at USF in Lakeland will be June 30, 2012.

On behalf of the entire University of South Florida System, I want to express my gratitude to you for your extraordinary work in guiding USF's campus in Lakeland through the past six months. You stepped in as Interim Campus Executive Officer during a time of uncertainty and applied a firm, responsible and wise hand throughout the governance transition of the campus. Your skills in leadership and management, as well as your unique specialty of accounting at higher education institutions truly aided our efforts to provide stability and accountability on the campus.

Your leadership and contributions were also very beneficial in helping our students, faculty and staff through a challenging time. You did a great job conveying the strong support of the entire region for the efforts they have made and you have made a wonderful and loyal contribution to your alma mater.

Beginning July 1, the teach-out will be directed by Dr. Kathleen Moore, Associate Vice President for USF System Strategic Initiatives, who will work closely with faculty and academic leadership in Lakeland and Tampa.

I personally want to thank you for a difficult job done well, and for your counsel and support throughout this process. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judy Genshaft". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Judy Genshaft
USF System President